

# MINISTRY NEWS



## FROM THE FOUNDER

I have to start by thanking you for your continued prayers. Over the last several months, my updates to you have shown how the situation has become more and more desperate. Your steadfast prayers have encouraged me, Pastor Poyis, and our entire team.

Last month I shared with you about the gangs' control over main highways exiting the country's capital, and that the gangs had also taken control over the Port-au-Prince airport and shipping port. This had effectively choked off resources for approximately 2.5 million Haitians facing starvation in addition to a lack of clean water and medical care.

Since then, some key steps have been taken towards reestablishing peace and order in Haiti by Haiti's temporary government and the international community. During the first few days of May, the Haitian military was able to regain control of the Port-au-Prince



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airport so the US Air Force was able to deliver promised supplies and civilian contractors to begin the construction of the base for the multinational police force. It is expected that this is one of the final steps needed before the multinational police force will begin its efforts to regain control of the country alongside the Haitian police and military. The date of the force's arrival has not been announced. This may be necessary to keep the Haitian gangs from further plans of a coordinated attack. After reading recent news articles, the gangs do not plan to back down.

Poyis and the kids are okay, all things considered. The box truck was stolen by a gang, but we were able to retrieve it for a fee and a new set of tires. A couple weeks later on another trip out for food, the tap tap was taken. Again, we were able to retrieve it for a fee, but without the \$1,000 worth of food that the tap tap had been carrying for Poyis and the kids. This is life in Haiti now.

But God. He continues to provide for Poyis and the kids, though. Each time the food supply seems too low, He provides it right on time. Poyis and the kids busy themselves with devotionals, Sunday services, and they even started a small garden. Poyis joked over a short video tour that he would ship me some of their produce. I so admire Poyis' faithfulness in fathering our 116 children. Please continue to pray for God to encourage and equip Poyis in all his work.



Our team is hopeful that with the Port-au-Prince airport being re-secured, we may be able to deliver food and supplies again through our partner, Missionary Flights International. This may be further off than we hope, but it is our prayer that we can start getting supplies in again very soon. I am also hopeful that once the gangs are cleared out of Onaville, we'll be able to get a better survey of what is needed at the compound.

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The last we had heard, the gangs had left the buildings intact, but took everything they could, down to sinks and toilets. This was heavy news, but we are hopeful to get our compound's ministry programs running again as soon as possible.

In the meantime, I am asking for you to join us for another Day of Prayer for Haiti. We hope you'll join us in prayer on June 5 as we seek the Lord for help (see below for ways you can participate). I hope there will be better news to share with you in our next Day of Prayer.

Please keep praying. Your prayers are absolutely critical. Thank you for supporting us in this important way—we can't thank you enough.

In His Grip,  
Greg

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**SAVE THE DATE**



**Walk for Restaveks**

**October 5, 2024**

Rancho Simi Community Park

Southern California friends, please mark your calendars for our **3rd Annual Walk for Restaveks!** We can't wait to see you there.

# DAY OF PRAYER


Save and share the information below regarding the Day of Prayer for Haiti on Wednesday, June 5.

[Pray with Us](#)

**DAY OF PRAYER**  
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5**

*Join us in a day of prayer for Haiti.*  
Here are three ways you can get involved.

- 1 Prayer Meetings via Zoom
  - 6AM PST
  - 12PM PST
  - 6PM PST
 Please message us for the meeting link.
- 2 Follow our Facebook & Instagram channels where we will post prayer points throughout the day.
- 3 Help us spread awareness by sharing these urgent requests with your family, friends, and church.



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# WATCH *FOUND* SHORT FILM



Watch *FOUND*

Our new short film, *FOUND*, premiered late last year and is now available for viewing on our website! *FOUND* tells the story of Natascha, a Haitian child who is sold into slavery before ultimately finding a home at the Connect 2 Ministries Children's Homes.

This short film sheds light on the harsh reality faced by countless children who are thrust into slavery, providing a call to action against the injustice of child exploitation. As Christians especially, it is an invitation to put feet to our faith.

## CATCH UP WITH OUR NEWSLETTER

Read our latest newsletter for more updates, prayer requests, and stories from Haiti. All newsletters are archived and available on our website.

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I want to share how desperate the situation in Haiti has become. We are nearing a critical moment regarding our people in Port-au-Prince. Popular media outlets are reporting that about 80% of the city is now controlled by gangs—but the reality is closer to 100%. The gangs control all roads coming in and going out. They control the port, they control the airport, and this oppressive power has created a city of civilians under siege. Virtually no resources are making it in, except for things ordered by the gangs...which means food options are dwindling. For our people and all the churches, organizations, and medical personnel in the city, this means they are being choked off. The crisis continues to worsen because, unfortunately, things are not changing quickly enough.

In light of all this, we are calling for another Day of Prayer for Haiti. We know we keep saying the same thing—it's bad, and it keeps getting worse. But that is the sad reality,

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## CATCH UP WITH OUR BLOG

### Diabetes in Haiti

Diabetes is a significant health concern in Haiti. It has been steadily gaining prevalence in the country over the past few decades—many Haitians over the age of...

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## MAY PRAYER REQUESTS



Praise God for continuing to meet our basic needs. The Lord has kept His hand on us for good.

Encouragement and growth for the church in Haiti. We pray God would save the lost in our communities.



Provision for medical needs. Resources are scarce in Port-au-Prince and the surrounding areas.

Help from the international community. We anticipate aid soon, & we pray for quick action.



*"Seek the Lord and His strength; seek His presence continually!"*

*—1 Chronicles 16:11*

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